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**2022 Kastner Cup will be held in conjunction with the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix July 15-17, 2022.** *The 20<sup>th</sup> annual all-Triumph vintage automobile race will celebrate 70 years of Triumph sports cars in competition.*

The 2022 Kastner Cup will be held in conjunction with the 40th annual Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, America's longest running vintage street race. The Kastner Cup will occur on July 15-17, 2022 at the PVGP Historic Races at the Pittsburgh International Race Complex (Pitt Race - [www.pittrace.com](http://www.pittrace.com)). Pitt Race is located in Wampum PA on a 427 acre road race and karting facility located 40 miles northwest of Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. The road course is 2.8 miles in length, with 19 turns, a 36 foot-wide racing surface, and 110 feet of elevation change. The track is fast and challenging with extensive runoff areas, two long straights, and acres of paved paddocks.

The PVGP Historic Race schedule will include practice and qualifying on Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>, a qualifying race and the Kastner Cup Race on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, and the Kastner Cup Reunion Race on Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>. A test and tune day is available on Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup>. The following weekend, the Grand Prix returns to race through Pittsburgh's beautiful Schenley Park. Participants in the Kastner Cup have the option to run both the PVGP Historics and PVGP in Schenley Park. Racers who enter both weekends may store race car trailers at the PittRace facility.

2022 will mark the 20<sup>th</sup> running of the Kastner Cup. The race will celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> year of Triumph sports car in competition. The Kastner Cup was named in recognition of the career accomplishment and legacy of R.W. "Kas" Kastner who passed away on April 11, 2021 at the age of 92. Kas Kastner was one of the most influential individuals responsible for the racing success of Triumph sports cars from the late 1950's through 1970 and beyond. To this day, his series of Competition Preparation Manuals are a must read for competitors in Triumph sports cars. Later in his career, Kastner directed the Nissan IMSA GTP team that won the manufacturers' championship three years in a row and the drivers' championship four years in a row; a remarkable achievement.

The Kastner Cup has become a major event on the vintage racing calendar for British car fans. The race is held at a different track each year to provide Triumph racers across the country a chance to compete for the Cup. Open to race prepared Triumph powered cars, the Kastner Cup is awarded to one competitor based on the following criteria:

- 50% for the competitive results on the race track during the event (not necessarily the winner)
- 25% for the presentation of the car
- 25% for the attitude and interest in Vintage racing

The 2021 Kastner Cup was awarded to Jeff Quick of Kent Washington. Mr. Quick drove his beautiful 1967 TR4A. He was also awarded the Peggy Kastner Performance Award in the TR4 and TR4A Class.

The Kastner Cup is organized by members of the Friends of Triumph (FOT). FOT is a group of vintage racers dedicated to preserving the racing heritage of the Triumph marque. Campaigning these automobiles on the track is at the essence of

why FOT was organized. A 2022 Kastner Cup Race Committee is being assembled and volunteers are being recruited. To date, Curt Johnston will be the Committee Chair, Joe Alexander will be the Grand Marshal, and FOT members include Shawn Frank and John Linney. For more information about the Committee, contact Curt Johnston at [curt.johnston@comcast.net](mailto:curt.johnston@comcast.net).

The Friends of Triumph would like to acknowledge the tremendous support provided by the 2021 sponsors. Moss Motors Ltd. was the Presenting Sponsor of the Kastner Cup on July 23-25, 2021 at Portland International Raceway (PIR). Moss Motors, Ltd., founded in 1948 is a multi-national warehouse distributor, manufacturer and retailer of performance, restoration and replacement parts for vintage British and specialty market vehicles including Jaguar, MG, Triumph, Austin Healey, classic Mini and Miata. Joining Moss Motors in sponsoring the 2021 event was the Vintage Triumph Register, Triumph Wedge Owner's Association, and Huffaker Motorsports. In kind sponsors were Classic Motor Films, Steve Belfer Creative, North American Triumphs, and Gasket Innovations/Alexander Racing Enterprises. SVRA rounded out the support at PIR by presenting the Kastner Cup as the sanctioning body. Please contact Curt Johnston for information regarding 2022 sponsorship opportunities.

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### **About the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix:**

Begun in 1983, the PVGP is a 40-year-old vintage racing event that covers two weeks of action. The first weekend is the PVGP Historics held at Pittsburgh International Race Complex, home for the 2018 and 2022 Kastner Cup events. The second weekend is racing on a 2.33 mile road course set on the streets of Schenley Park, a city park adjacent to the Carnegie Mellon and University of Pittsburgh campuses. Between the race weekends there are car shows, parties, car shows road rallies, and more. PVGP is a volunteer run event with more than 1,200 volunteers. PVGP event proceeds support Autism charities in Western Pennsylvania. [www.pvgp.org](http://www.pvgp.org).

**About Friends of Triumph:** The Friends of Triumph (FOT) are dedicated to preserving the racing heritage of the Triumph marque. Campaigning these automobiles on the track is at the essence of our purpose. We are unified by R.W. (Kas) Kastner and his motor sports contributions and sacrifices, his challenges and accomplishments, his kindness and knowledge. We come to race with family and friends. We carry the history of Triumph and the camaraderie of competition. For more information about the race this year, visit: <https://www.kastnercup2021.com/>. For background information on Kas Kastner and the history of the Kastner Cup, visit: <http://www.kaskastner.com/kastnercup.html>.